

Shown here is the loading station adjacent to the depot.

line 29, Railroad travel became a reality in Heber on September when the Denver and Rio Grande Western Railroad opened a Wasatch area. Provo through to the

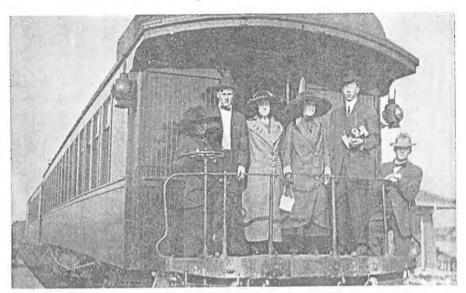
The line had long been awaited by Heber residents because it would farm commodities to outside mar-The feeling of the day was described in an article in the "Wasatch enable them to ship their livestock and Wave" which stated:

## 29, SEPTEMBER World Heber Now in Touch with Outside RAILROAD COMPLETED FRIDAY.

Sullivan appointed station agent at Heber-Schedule day. -Two trains arrive in and leave Heber each satisfactory

There are seven stations their distances from Provo are as follows: Smoot, one mile; Crahurst, six miles; Nunns, He comes well recommended, having been in the employ of the company for a num-"The Provo Canyon branch of the Rio Grande Western Railroad have which connects Heber City with Provo is now completed and ready twenty-one miles. None of these stations will Wallsburg, Sullivan has been appointed agent at Heber. Their names and miles; The length of the road is 25.8 miles. Falls, ten miles; Forks, twelve on the line between Provo and Heber. miles; Charleston, ≥ ber of years nine miles; business. agent.

The trains connect at Provo with the fast-continental trains both east and This schedule is very satisfactory indeed "Elsewhere in this issue will be found the time table showing the rival and departure of trains.



Pictured on this train leaving the Heber Depot are Laura Clyde, H. Clay Cummings. Nora Clyde, Elthoria Hicken. Storm McDonald and one unidentified man. Railroad travel was a real boon to valley residents.

west without any of those long, tiresome waits. If you have business in Salt Lake you can take the 6:40 A.M. train—arrive in the City 10:00 o'clock; returning you can leave Salt Lake at 5 o'clock P.M. and reach Heber at 8:05. This gives you seven hours in the metropolis, and the whole of the business day in the city which is from 10 o'clock to 5. On the other hand our Salt Lake friends can leave there at 8 A.M., reach Heber at 11:10 A.M. spend 3½ hours in Heber and leave at 2:20, arriving in Salt Lake at 5:35 in the evening."

The community leaders were sufficiently moved by the significance of the occasion that they planned a special railroad holiday on Friday. October 6, 1899 and invited people from all over the state to attend.

The railroad company set up a special train of seven cars which arrived in Heber at 3 p.m., carrying many state dignitaries, including Governor J. T. Hammond, Provo City officials and some 400 persons.

Residents of Heber and Wasatch County along with the Heber Brass Band met the train and its passengers at the depot and proceeded to the court house yard where a special platform had been erected.

Here a special program began with an address of welcome by Abram Hatch, stake president. Mayor Jones of Provo made a brief response and each of the state officials present spoke for a few minutes. These included Gov. Hammond, James Chipman, state treasurer; Morgan Richards, Jr., state auditor; J. J. Thomas, secretary of the state board of equalization and U. S. Senator Reed Smoot. Numerous railroad officials and officers